

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 2659, was introduced. **Page H6271**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H6271**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on June 30, H.R. 1950, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for the fiscal years 2004 and 2005, to authorize appropriations under the Arms Export Control Act and the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for security assistance for fiscal years 2004 and 2005, amended (H. Rept. 108–105 Pt. 3);

Filed on July 1, H.R. 2657, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (H.Rept. 108–186); and

Filed on July 2, H.R. 2658, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (H. Rept. 108–187). **Page H6271**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gilchrest to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6267**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, July 8: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourns to meet at 10:30 on Tuesday, July 8 for morning-hour debates. **Page H6268**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H6267.

Referrals: S. 148 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page H6268**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D759)

H.R. 2312, to amend the Communications Satellite of 1962 to provide for the orderly dilution of the ownership interest in Inmarsat by former signatories to the Inmarsat Operating Agreement. Signed on June 30, 2003. (Public Law 108–39)

H.R. 2350, to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes. Signed on June 30, 2003. (Public Law 108–40)

H.R. 389, to authorize the use of certain grant funds to establish an information clearinghouse that provides information to increase public access to defibrillation in schools. Signed on July 1, 2003. (Public Law 108–41)

H.R. 519, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the San Gabriel River Watershed. Signed on July 1, 2003. (Public Law 108–42)

H.R. 788, to revise the boundary of the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area in the States of Utah and Arizona. Signed on July 1, 2003. (Public Law 108–43)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 8 through July 12, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 11:30 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of David G. Campbell, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, and vote on confirmation of the nomination without intervening action or debate, to be followed by a vote on the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Victor J. Wolski, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims. Also, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 11, Patient First Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and certain nominations, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: July 8, Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 10 a.m., SD–192.

July 9, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 10:30 a.m., SD–124.

July 9, Subcommittee on Interior, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for

the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 11 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: July 8, to hold a closed briefing regarding the situation in Africa, with a focus on Liberia, 2:15 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

July 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine lessons learned during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom, and to receive testimony on ongoing operations in the United States Central Command region; followed by a closed session in SH-219, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Paul Morgan Longworth, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Non-proliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, and Thomas W. O'Connell, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 10, to hold hearings to examine "The Accuracy of Credit Report Information and the Fair Credit Reporting Act", 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 8, to hold hearings to examine the Nominations: of Nicole R. Nason, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, and Pamela Harbour, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner; to be followed by hearings on Radio Ownership, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 8, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine maintenance backlog, land acquisition backlog, and deficit in personnel within the National Park System, including the impact of new park unit designations on resolving each of these concerns, 10 a.m., SD-366.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the high price of natural gas, its effect on the economy and to consider potential solutions, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 8, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine agricultural sequestration of carbon, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 8, to hold hearings to examine U.S. tax policy and its effect on the domestic and international competitiveness of U.S.-based operations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 10, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for Community Services Block grant programs, 3:30 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 9, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 8, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael J. Garcia, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, and Jack Landman Goldsmith III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James O. Browning, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico,

Kathleen Cardone, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, James I. Cohn, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Frank Montalvo, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Xavier Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, and Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

July 10, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Rules and Administration: July 9, to hold hearings to examine S. Res. 173, to amend Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate with respect to new or general legislation and unauthorized appropriations in general appropriations bills and amendments thereto, and new or general legislation, unauthorized appropriations, new matter, or nongermane matter in conference reports on appropriations Acts, and unauthorized appropriations in amendments between the Houses relating to such Acts, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: July 10, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for Small Business Administration programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 10, to hold hearings to consider proposed legislation regarding VA-provided benefits programs, including the following: S. 257, S. 517, S. 1131, S. 1133, S. 1188, S. 1213, S. 1239, S. 1281, S. 249, S. 938, S. 1132, S. 792, S. 806, S. 1136, S. 978, S. 1124, S. 1199, S. 1282, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 10, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 10, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review crop insurance products for specialty crop producers, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2004, 5 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 10, hearing on Operation Iraqi Freedom, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, July 9, hearing on A Closer Look, The Inspectors General Address Waste, Fraud, Abuse in Federal Mandatory Programs, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 8, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "LIHEAP & CSG: Providing Assistance to Low-Income Families," 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing on "Affordability in Higher Education: We know there's a problem; what's the solution?" 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "The Clear Skies Initiative: A Multipollutant Approach to the Clean Air Act," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 9, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 1950, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005; H. Con. Res. 215, honoring and congratulating chambers of commerce for their efforts that contribute to the improvement of communities and the strengthening of local and regional economics; and H. Res. 296, recognizing the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company, which has been a significant part of the social, economic, and cultural heritage of the United States and many other nations and a leading force for product and manufacturing innovation throughout the 20th century, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, joint hearing entitled "Legislative Efforts to Combat Spam," following full Committee mark up, 2123 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "NIH: Moving Research from the Bench to the Bedside," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 8, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings entitled "Rural Housing in America," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 9, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2622, Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, July 8, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Federal Electronic Records Management: What is the Plan? What is our Progress?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "Making Health Care More Affordable: Extending Premium Conversion to Federal Retirees," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Disrupting the Market: Strategy, Implementation, and Results in Narcotics Source Nations," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing on "International Child Abduction: The Rights of American Citizens Being Held in Saudi Arabia," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 10, full Committee, hearing on "Smooth Sailing or an Impending Wreck? The Impact of New Visa and Passport Requirements on Foreign Travel to the United States," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, July 9, hearing on H.R. 2205, National Museum of African American History and Culture Act, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, July 9, hearing on A Survey and Analysis of Supporting Human Rights and Democracy: The U.S. Record 2002–2003, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 8, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 1997, Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2003 or Laci and Conner's Law, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 2214, Reduction in Distribution of Spam Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 9, full Committee, to mark up the following: H. Res. 287, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all physical and electronic records and documents in his possession related to any use of Federal agency resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members of the Texas Legislature in the period beginning May 11, 2003, and ending May 16, 2003, except information the disclosure of which would harm the national security interests of the United States; a measure implementing the U.S. Chile Free Trade Agreement; a measure implementing the U.S. Singapore Free Trade Agreement; H.R. 1707, Prison Rape Reduction Act of 2003; H.R. 2330, Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003; H.R. 1561, United States Patent and Trademark Fee Modernization Act of 2003; H.R. 2086, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 1375, Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on "Terrorism and War-Time Hoaxes," 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 11, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Claims, oversight hearing on "Immigration Relief Under the Convention Against Torture for Serious Criminals and Human Rights Violators," 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, July 9, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1038, Public Lands Fire Regulations Enforcement Act of 2003; H.R. 1616, Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site Land Exchange Act; H.R. 1651, Sierra National Forest Land Exchange Act of 2003; H.R. 1658, Railroad Right-of-Way Conveyance Validation Act of 2003; H.R. 2040, to amend the Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act of 1998 to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and certain irrigation water contractors in the States of Wyoming and Nebraska; H.R. 2059, Fort Bayard National Historic Landmark Act; S. 233, Coltsville Study Act of 2003; and S. 278, Mount Naomi Wilderness Boundary Adjustment Act, 10 a.m., and to hold an oversight hearing on "Can a process be developed to settle matters relating to the Indian Trust Fund lawsuit?" 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 10, to hold a hearing on the following: a measure Reauthorizing the Compacts of Free Associate with Micronesia and the Marshall Islands; and H.R. 2522, Compact Impact Reconciliation Act, 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 8, to consider the following: H.R. 2657, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004; H.R. 2211, Ready to Teach Act of 2003; and H.R. 438, Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act of 2003, 4:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, July 9, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on H.R. 2183, Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing on Competition for Department of Energy Laboratory Contracts: What is the Impact on Science? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 9, hearing on Saving Our Defense Industrial Base, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 9, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, oversight hearing on GSA's 2004 Capital Investment and Leasing Program, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 9, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to review the pre- and post-deployment health assessment processing of troops recently deployed to the Persian Gulf, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 10, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on Social Security Number Privacy, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 10, Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security, executive, briefing on Global Intelligence Update, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, July 9, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, hearing entitled "DHS Responsibility for Threat Warnings and Analysis: How Well is the Department Serving its Customers?" 10 a.m., room to be announced.

July 10, Subcommittee on Rules, hearing entitled "Perspectives on House Reform: Committees and the Executive Branch," 10:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: July 9, to hold hearings to examine technology and innovation in relation to health care costs, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.